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AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, VS, HU

SUBJECT: ICCS: FORTHCOMING BOOK OF ATROCITY PICTURES BY  
HUNGARIAN MEMBER ICCS

REF: BUDAPEST 3261 AND 3262

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED OF BOOK ENTITLED QTE VIETNAM - IT  
HAPPENED BEFORE OUR VERY EYES UNQTE BY LT. COL. GYORGI MATE  
(RECENTLY DEPARTED MEMBER OF THE HUNGARIAN ICCS CONTINGENT)  
PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN AND ITALIAN. BOOK CONTAINS  
ATROCITY PICTURES USUALLY CONTRASTED ON THE OPPOSITE PAGE WITH US  
CHILDREN AT PLAY, OR SHOTS OF US CARRIERS, AIRCRAFT, LAUGHING  
SOLDIERS, ETC. ONE PICTURE, OBVIOUSLY FAKED SHOWS RVN SOLDIERS  
HOLDING THREE PRG HEADS AND LABELLED QTE VIETNAMIZATION UNQTE.  
PRESIDENT NIXON IS PICTURED IN SEVERAL PLACES AS ARE RELEASED US  
POW'S. THE TEXT IS REPORTEDLY HIGHLY VITRIOLIC AND SARCASTIC.

2. LT. COL. MATE TOLD AN AMERICAN ARMY OFFICER, OUR SOURCE FOR THIS  
INFORMATION, THAT HIS JOB IN VIETNAM INCLUDED THIS ASSIGNMENT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST EMBASSY BUDAPEST OBTAIN  
SEVERAL COPIES OF THIS BOOK AS SOON AS IT COMES ON SALE AND  
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FORWARD TO SAIGON AND DEPARTMENT.

4. COMMENT: SUCH PUBLICATION BY A HUNGARIAN MEMBER OF ICCS  
WOULD BE FLAGRANT EVIDENCE OF HUNGARIAN BAD FAITH TOWARDS ICCS  
RESPONSIBILITIES AND WOULD UNMISTAKABLY DOCUMENT THEIR ONE-  
SIDED DEDICATION TO PROMOTION OF VIET CONG INTERESTS. IF  
EXAMINATION OF PUBLICATION CONFIRMS FOREGOING REPORT, WE  
RECOMMEND PROTEST TO GOH.  
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